COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY QUALITY OF LIFE

Thursday, September 8, 2011 Audrey Beck Municipal Building Conference Room C 7:00 pm

DRAFT Minutes

Present: C. Kueffner, A. Moran, J. Riesen, D. Morse, D. Keane, J. Sobanik

Staff: M. Hart, J. Hintz, M. Ninteau, L. Painter

1) Call to Order/Roll Call.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

- 2) Appointment of Recording Secretary
 - M. Hart agreed to serve as secretary.
- 3) Approval of August 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes
 - D. Morse moved and J. Riesen seconded to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4) Opportunity for Public to Address the Committee

None

5) Chairperson's Report

Chair A. Moran reported on the Town's Tropical Storm Irene recovery efforts regarding food and water, shelter, staffing and the Town's coordination with UConn and local businesses.

- M. Hart reported on the opening of the new school year, the extent of the weekend partying and the enforcement action taken to date. He also announced the start of the new Resident Trooper Supervisor in Mansfield, Sergeant Richard Cournoyer.
- M. Ninteau gave an update on the parking ordinance.
- 6) Communications

None

- 7) Old Business
 - a) ATV Ordinance C. Kueffner spoke about a concern he had that the town fines landlords for tenant violations but not landowners for activity on their property. Discussion ensued on issues of ATV's on private property regarding who does not have permission to be there. Further discussion was held regarding whether or not ATV's should be marked with an ID number to make it easier to identify. Lengthy discussion

was held as to whether or not that would be needed – would nuisance ordinance take care of it?

By consensus, the Committee agreed to table the ATV ordinance, with two additional action items for staff: 1) ask the Resident Troopers if they believe the ordinance would be helpful and could be successfully enforced; 2) determine whether the Town could require ATV owners to place larger registration numbers on the vehicle. Approved by consensus.

b) Review Action Plan - see 8(a) below.

8) New Business

- a) High Density Unit Projects Management Plan J. Riesen moved to add the High Density Unit projects to the Management Plan. Seconded by D. Morse. A discussion was held on managing security and welfare at large complexes. L. Painter discussed zoning. M. Ninteau mentioned that the issue could be addressed in the Housing Code regulations rather than as a stand-alone ordinance. Planning and Zoning Commission will review under their regulatory review. Town staff will review as a town ordinance, the pros and cons of this and look into what other college communities are doing. The motion to add this item to the action plan passed, with one abstention (Kueffner).
- b) Fall Activity in Town/UConn Community J. Hintz reported on the schedule of community visits and the community cookout on 9/22/11. Discussion was held on more involvement by landlords. A sub-committee will look at Best Practices and Processes.

9) Adjournment

C. Kueffner moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM, seconded by J. Riesen. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor Matthew W. Hart, Town Manager